

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

MARCUS A. HAINES,

Plaintiff,

v.

COUNTY OF SACRAMENTO, *et al.*,

Defendants.

Case No. 2:20-cv-01011-TLN-JDP (PC)

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE WHY THIS  
CASE SHOULD NOT BE DISMISSED FOR  
FAILURE TO PROSECUTE AND FAILURE  
TO STATE A CLAIM

RESPONSE DUE WITHIN TWENTY-ONE  
DAYS

On April 2, 2021, I screened plaintiff's first amended complaint and notified him that it failed to state a claim. ECF No. 14. I gave plaintiff sixty days to file an amended complaint. *Id.* To date, he has not done so.


To manage its docket effectively, the court imposes deadlines on litigants and requires litigants to meet those deadlines. The court may dismiss a case for plaintiff's failure to prosecute or failure to comply with its orders or local rules. *See* Fed. R. Civ. P. 41(b); *Hells Canyon Pres. Council v. U.S. Forest Serv.*, 403 F.3d 683, 689 (9th Cir. 2005); *Carey v. King*, 856 F.2d 1439, 1440-41 (9th Cir. 1988). Involuntary dismissal is a harsh penalty, but a district court has a duty to administer justice expeditiously and avoid needless burden for the parties. *See Pagtalunan v. Galaza*, 291 F.3d 639, 642 (9th Cir. 2002); Fed. R. Civ. P. 1.

I will give plaintiff a chance to explain why the court should not dismiss the case for his failure to file an amended complaint. Plaintiff's failure to respond to this order will constitute a

1 failure to comply with a court order and will result in a recommendation that this action be  
2 dismissed. Accordingly, plaintiff is ordered to show cause within twenty-one days why this case  
3 should not be dismissed for failure to prosecute and failure to state a claim. Should plaintiff wish  
4 to continue with this lawsuit, he shall file, within twenty-one days, a first amended complaint.

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6 IT IS SO ORDERED.

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8 Dated: August 13, 2021

  
JEREMY D. PETERSON  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE